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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hortense W. Dodo *et al.*
Title: DOWN-REGULATION AND
SILENCING OF ALLERGEN GENES
IN TRANSGENIC PEANUT PLANTS
Appl. No.: 09/715,036
Filing Date: 11/20/2000
Examiner: T. GIBBS
Art Unit: 1635

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2002. A Petition for a one-month extension of time with the requisite fee, to extend the time to respond to October 10, 2002, is enclosed. Should such a request or any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 9, lines 15-20, and replace it with the following paragraph:

Fig. 2 shows the nucleotide and deduced amino acid sequences (SEQ ID NOS 1-2, respectively) of peanut allergen *Ara h2* gene. The figure also shows a putative TATA box, an ATG initiation codon, the first stop codon (TGA), and putative polyadenylation